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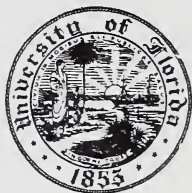
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Biography

J. HARRY MCGREGOR was born on a farm near Unionport, Jefferson County, Ohio, September 30, 1896; attended the public schools, West Lafayette (Ohio) College, and Oberlin (Ohio) College; during the First World War served as a sergeant with the One Hundred and Seventy-sixth Field Artillery, United States Army, in 1917 and 1918; engaged in the lumber and general contracting business at West Lafayette, Ohio, 1918-1945; member of the school board of West Lafayette, Ohio, for eight years; member of the State house of representatives 1935-1940, serving as minority whip 1937-1939 and as majority leader and speaker pro tempore in 1939 and 1940; elected as a Republican to the Seventy-sixth Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the death of William A. Ashbrook; reelected to the Seventy-seventh and to the eight succeeding Congresses and served from February 27, 1940, until his death; had been renominated to the Eighty-sixth Congress; died in Coshocton, Ohio, October 7, 1958; interment in Fairfield Cemetery, West Lafayette, Ohio.

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Proceedings in the House

WEDNESDAY, *January 7, 1959.*

Mr. HESS. Mr. Speaker, I send a resolution to the desk (H. Res. 18) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Honorable J. HARRY MCGREGOR, a Representative from the State of Ohio.

Resolved, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

The resolution was agreed to.

Mr. McCORMACK. Mr. Speaker, I move as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 51 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, January 9, 1959, at 12'clock noon.

MONDAY, *January 12, 1959.*

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carrell, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed the following resolution:

S. Res. 15

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow the announcement of the death of Honorable J. HARRY MCGREGOR, late a Representative from the State of Ohio.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That as a further mark of respect to the deceased, the Senate, at the conclusion of its business today, adjourn until 10 antemeridian on Monday next.

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Remarks by Representative Hess *Of Ohio*

Mr. HESS. Mr. Speaker, all Members of the House and especially those of the Ohio delegation, I am sure join with me in the tribute of respect to the memory of our former colleague, J. HARRY MCGREGOR, who has been called from us.

HARRY MCGREGOR was born in Ohio, was educated in its public schools and colleges, and served in the First World War from Ohio. He was a member of the Ohio Legislature from 1935 through 1940. During his service, he was floor leader and Speaker pro tempore.

He came to the House of Representatives on February 27, 1940, to succeed our late colleague, the Honorable William Ashbrook; and served successively from the 77th Congress through the 85th Congress.

HARRY MCGREGOR's interest was the welfare of the people of the district he served so long. He was interested in the needs of the older people. He was interested in the farmers of Ohio and of the Nation. He was interested in the veterans of our wars; and through his own military service, was a member of all of the veterans' organizations of Ohio.

His was a long, active, and useful life. He gave unstintingly of his time and his enormous capacity for work, to the improvement of the condition of the people of his district and of the State and country.

Unsung work for public welfare and the common good may lack glamor; but what is lacked in glamor was filled for him with the affection, understanding, and good will of the people in whose causes and for whose welfare he labored so unselfishly.

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We of the House of Representatives shall miss his calm, wise, and sober counsel, his willingness to give of himself; and his stanch and steadfast loyalty to the causes for which he stood.

Now he rests in his beloved State of Ohio in the midst of friends and family. We, his colleagues, share the void which everyone feels at the passing of so fine a friend, so dedicated a public servant of us all.

To his children, we extend our deepest sympathy, confident that the memories HARRY MCGREGOR left will be a consolation to his bereaved and a warm and affectionate memory to the people whom he served. I have lost a friend and Ohio a loyal and courageous son.

Remarks by Representative Brown

Of Ohio

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I wish to join with the chairman of the Ohio delegation [Mr. Hess] in paying tribute to our former colleague, the late lamented J. HARRY MCGREGOR.

It was my high privilege to know HARRY MCGREGOR and his fine family; his wife, his son, and two daughters, throughout almost a lifetime.

I believe our first acquaintance, between Mr. MCGREGOR and myself, came about just after World War I had ended. He served the State of Ohio ably and well in the Legislature where his services were such that when the Congressman from the 17th Ohio district then sitting as a Member in this Chamber passed away, Mr. MCGREGOR was selected, and elected in a special election, to represent that great Ohio district here. He did so, for practically 20 years, in a way which won him great renown and high respect.

HARRY MCGREGOR in private life engaged in highway construction and other contracting work. That experience fitted him especially well to serve as a member of the House Committee on Public Works, where he was one of the real leaders in giving to America not only a splendid interstate highway system, many river and harbor improvements, the St. Lawrence Seaway, and numerous effective flood control projects in various States. The country as a whole is indebted to him for his service in these particular fields. In fact, these great public works, which have been made effective since HARRY MCGREGOR came to the Congress, stand as memorials to him today.

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His sudden passing last October came as a shock to all of us who knew him, loved him, and served with him here in the House of Representatives. We have all suffered a great loss, but that loss is an especial one for the Ohio delegation, and for the people of our Ohio. To his two daughters, his son, and his grandchildren, we extend our deepest and most sincere sympathy in the great loss that has been theirs.

Remarks by Representative McCulloch
Of Ohio

Mr. McCULLOCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise with heavy heart to say a few words about my good friend, the late J. HARRY MCGREGOR, longtime Member of Congress from Ohio, who left us much too soon.

HARRY and I were close friends and legislative colleagues for almost a quarter of a century. We were both members of the Ohio House of Representatives from early 1935 until HARRY was elected to Congress in early 1940. During that time, he was minority whip and then majority leader. HARRY was an energetic whip and was a persuasive and effective majority leader. He seldom, if ever, failed in his goals as a majority leader.

During his service in the Ohio House of Representatives, he sponsored and was the leader who caused to be enacted into law, school and highway proposals of lasting benefit to Ohio.

His interest in the conservation of our natural resources and his tireless and effective work for flood control is well known to all leaders in this field.

Finally, those who served with him in the Congress well know his fine leadership in all public works, and particularly, in the field of public highways.

An enthusiastic and effective legislator and a great and good friend has left us. Thousands will knowingly and countless millions will unknowingly miss a legislator who has done so much for so many. His fine family has the sympathy of friends everywhere.

Remarks by Representative Gary
Of Virginia

Mr. GARY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to join my colleagues in paying tribute to our dear lamented friend, HARRY MCGREGOR. He was a dedicated Congressman. He served his district, State, and Nation well.

I had the pleasure of having many contacts with him at various times. Although he was of a different political persuasion, he was always considerate, courteous, and gracious. He endeared himself to the Members of this House, on both sides of the aisle. We all mourn his loss which will be severely felt in this House.

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Remarks by Representative Brooks

Of Louisiana

Mr. BROOKS of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise at this time to place a wreath on the grave of our departed friend, HARRY MCGREGOR. I knew HARRY well. I saw him often in the course of his work, although my committee assignment was different from that of our departed friend. It was always a pleasure to work with him. He was kindly, friendly, always courteous, and he was most competent. I worked especially with him on the highway program to which he devoted many, many long, tireless hours of effort in most unselfish service to the country that he loved so well.

There is a saying asked in the form of a question to the effect "Where, oh where, are the snows of yesteryear?" The snows of yesteryear are gone. They are melted. They are in the streams and forests and farmlands and the richness of the Nation.

So likewise the ability, the sincere achievements, great energies of this great American HARRY MCGREGOR who has left us are to be found in the achievements that he supported and the accomplishments which he passed on to the people of America. Now our citizenry is richer and more capable and happier because of his having been a Member of this great body.

Remarks by Representative Henderson
Of Ohio

Mr. HENDERSON. Mr. Speaker, I desire to join with his friends in paying tribute to HARRY MCGREGOR, for many years our colleague here in Congress.

Geographically, HARRY MCGREGOR was closer to me and my district than any other Member of Congress, because he lived in the extreme southern part of his district, just adjacent to my own district.

In many other respects HARRY MCGREGOR was closer to me than any other Member of Congress. When I first met him I formed an opinion that stayed with me throughout our association together, that here was a man, dedicated to his district and to his Nation, determined in the course that he would take. I liked him and his manner.

HARRY took great pleasure in life. One thing that set him apart was the jollity, the laughter, and the smile of HARRY MCGREGOR. We saw it on his face and we knew it was in his heart. You could watch HARRY MCGREGOR come into a room with that smile as if by magic, it was imparted to all who watched his face. They became filled with the same sense of lightheartedness that so characterized HARRY MCGREGOR.

I watched his work on the floor and the dedication that he displayed. His words in debate carried an insistence that the truth be known. We felt impelled to follow what he demonstrated to be the best course for our Nation.

He was fair, he was able, in his efforts to be of service to his district.

His wife had come from Muskingum County of the 15th District, and Mrs. McGregor and her Congressman husband were known, loved, and held in great esteem in that portion of my district. Whenever I traveled through that area I

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was constantly being asked: "How is HARRY MCGREGOR?" "How is Mrs. McGregor?" And on many occasions his friends there told of the great work that HARRY had performed in behalf of the constituents of his district.

The service that he rendered for those of his district is just one part of HARRY MCGREGOR's life. Here on the floor of Congress, he worked for them. He also worked for all America. Many of the great public works and highways throughout the United States are monuments to the service and foresight of HARRY MCGREGOR.

But in his children and his grandchildren we have the living characterization of HARRY MCGREGOR's personality.

They miss him, but they are strengthened and comforted by the realization that he was a great man who served his Nation well. We miss him too.

Remarks by Representative Cramer
Of Florida

Mr. CRAMER. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I join today in the eulogies for our late departed colleague, HARRY MCGREGOR, with whom I was privileged to serve as a member of the minority on the Public Works Committee, having been a member of that committee since I was elected to Congress some 5 years ago.

HARRY MCGREGOR was a great public servant; HARRY MCGREGOR was an outstanding American; HARRY MCGREGOR was the ranking minority member of the Roads Subcommittee of the Public Works Committee, and through his sponsorship of legislation the great interstate and other Federal-aid highway systems came closer to fruition than at any time previously. It was through his efforts and sponsorship of legislation that the forerunners of the great 1956 Interstate and Defense Highway Act came into being. It was his bill, his sponsorship of legislation in the Republican 83d Congress that resulted in the passage of the forerunner of the great highway system act in the 84th and the 85th Congresses. This great Interstate and Defense Highway System is a monument and a tribute to HARRY MCGREGOR. He was more interested and qualified in this subject, I venture to say, than any other Member of the House has been in recent years.

It was indeed a pleasure to serve with him, and it was my great pleasure and privilege to come to know of his ability and dedication on the Public Works Committee. He succeeded as ranking Republican member the Honorable George Dondero who in his turn served with equal ability and distinction.

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J. HARRY MCGREGOR was a man of deep conviction, he was a man of sound judgment. He was a man who did not hesitate to get up on the floor and present those principles in which he believed and to fight for them. He was a hard-working and aggressive man, and as a freshman and since I have deemed it a high privilege to serve with him. He gave the greatest leadership and encouragement to me as a member of the Public Works Committee. His understanding of the problems faced by new Members, and his helpfulness to them will linger long not only in my memory but also in the memory of many others in the Congress who came to know him and seek his wise counsel in recent years. It is a high honor for me to join in these eulogies of our departed colleague. He was a great man, an outstanding American J. HARRY MCGREGOR.

Remarks by Representative Chenoweth
Of Colorado

Mr. CHENOWETH. Mr. Speaker, I want to join my colleagues who have paid tribute to the memory of J. HARRY MCGREGOR today. I extend my sympathy to the members of the Ohio delegation for the great loss which they have sustained in the passing of our departed colleague, for whom we had such great affection.

I was shocked and saddened last year when I learned of his untimely death, which was an irreparable loss to all of us who knew him.

HARRY MCGREGOR was a Member of the House when I came here and I soon recognized him as one of the outstanding Members of this body. He was an able, capable, and efficient legislator. He worked diligently and conscientiously upon all legislation before his committee, as others have mentioned here today. Whatever he did he did right.

I know that our former colleague, the Honorable William S. Hill, of Colorado, would join in these eulogies to HARRY MCGREGOR if he were here today, as they were very close friends over the years. It was through Mr. Hill that I learned to know HARRY MCGREGOR better and to more fully appreciate his sterling qualities.

HARRY was always congenial and affable. He spread good cheer wherever he happened to be and it was a real pleasure to visit with him.

Mr. Speaker, we can ill afford to lose men like HARRY MCGREGOR in these critical times. His passing was not only a great loss to his district, but to the State of Ohio and to the entire Nation. He was truly a great American, a fine public servant, and a Christian gentleman.

Remarks by Representative Levering
Of Ohio

Mr. LEVERING. Mr. Speaker, it is now my high honor to represent the good people of Ohio's 17th District, the district that was so well represented by the late J. HARRY MCGREGOR for some 18 years. I take this time to join with his other colleagues here in the House in paying tribute to his memory and to extend my sincere sympathy to the members of his family who survive him.

Many of you who have been here for a long time knew J. HARRY MCGREGOR more intimately than I and I know that you, too, can attest to his unflinching courtesy, generosity, and hard work. He faithfully reflected the views of his district, and was considered a stalwart for good government. The high caliber of his representation of the people in our district was reflected by the strong support he invariably received at the polls time and time again.

Although I was his political challenger for the past 10 years, I greatly admired and respected Congressman MCGREGOR personally and for his views on public problems.

Back home he was known personally to thousands of people. J. HARRY MCGREGOR was a people's Congressman. The people felt close to the late J. HARRY MCGREGOR. They felt at all times that they could sit down with him and talk over personal problems, their fears and their hopes for this great country.

I think his practice of going into the district and holding conferences, informal in nature, at the courthouses and other places was a most commendable one. This is important if we are to have true representative government in America. It was being close to the people and learning what

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the people at the grassroots really thought of the issues, great and small, before this country.

The Ohio delegation in Congress, in my opinion, has indeed lost one of its most esteemed members, and the 17th District has lost an able and dedicated spokesman. His family, his two daughters, Mrs. Monroe Horst, Mrs. Warde Butler, and his son, Harry Laird McGregor, have lost a devoted father.

I know that those of you who knew him best in the House of Representatives and in the Senate will join me in this tribute to his memory.

Remarks by Representative Schenck

Of Ohio

Mr. SCHENCK. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I join my good friend, the chairman of the Ohio Republican delegation, Mr. Hess, in paying tribute to a departed friend and colleague.

J. HARRY MCGREGOR was a warm and friendly man and a devoted public servant. Prior to his election as a Member of Congress, he served with distinction in the Ohio Legislature. Here in Congress he made invaluable contributions to the legislation before the Public Works Committee. With all his work, however, he was never too busy to help others. Time and again I recall his assistance when I was new here, and I treasured his counsel. Those of us who knew him realized his great loss when his beloved wife, Twila, died earlier last year. The McGregors had always been a happy, loving couple. Now he has gone to join her, united again in God's love. To his daughters and son I want to extend my deepest sympathy.

Remarks by Representative Baumhart
Of Ohio

Mr. BAUMHART. Mr. Speaker, during the heat of the past congressional campaign, on October 7, 1958, I was deeply shocked to learn of the sudden passing of one of my best friends and colleagues in the House, J. HARRY MCGREGOR, of the 17th Ohio District. It was impossible to express my sadness to the House since we were in recess, but I and my fellow Members want to speak of him today, and to extend our heartfelt condolence to his daughters, his son, and their families.

HARRY was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Twila, by less than a year, and it was well known to his friends and family the deep burden of grief he carried.

HARRY was my predecessor as "Whip" of the Ohio delegation, and I will always cherish a photograph now hanging on the wall of my office in which he is pictured turning the symbolic whip over to me.

It was my privilege to serve with him in the Ohio State Legislature, where he served the State of Ohio in the house of representatives from 1935 through 1940. During that period of time he also served as minority whip and secretary of the finance committee, as well as majority floor leader and speaker pro tempore. HARRY'S career in Washington in the U.S. House of Representatives was no less distinguished, he being elected at a special election in 1940, and reelected to the 77th on through the 85th Congresses. He proved his dedication to good government through all his outstanding public service. He will be a man long remembered not only for his personal warmth and sweetness of character, but for his complete honesty and integrity. I will remember how many of the

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staff people with whom he came in daily contact admired and respected him. This combination of personal warmth and dedication to the principles of good government is often difficult to attain, but we all will remember HARRY for these qualities.

He will be sorely missed by all his colleagues.

Remarks by Representative Betts
Of Ohio

Mr. BETTS. Mr. Speaker, it is difficult to adequately express one's feelings at the loss of a friend. J. HARRY MCGREGOR was my long-time personal friend. Our friendship began back in the Ohio General Assembly when we were both members of its House of Representatives 20 years ago. Our close association over the years gave me ample opportunity to observe the character and ability of HARRY MCGREGOR. He was a courageous statesman and met every issue openly and without flinching. His qualities as a leader were shown on many occasions but particularly as majority floor leader of the Ohio House of Representatives and the ranking Republican member of his committee in Congress.

HARRY MCGREGOR was respected and admired by his friends and associates both in and out of public life. An example of the esteem in which he was held was the honors which he received as a member of the Masonic Order.

But more significant than any of these accomplishments was the fact that he was in every sense of the word a family man. He and his wife were a devoted couple and with their three fine children made a typical American family. With his many friends and colleagues I share their sadness at his passing.

Remarks by Representative Minshall

Of Ohio

Mr. MINSHALL. Mr. Speaker, it is a personal privilege to salute the memory of our late colleague, J. HARRY MCGREGOR.

He was more than an able Member of Congress—he was a trailblazer with the courage of his convictions. Future generations will thank HARRY MCGREGOR for his magnificent leadership which gives them the vast Interstate Highway System so essential to our Nation's commerce and defense. None of us who served with him in the 84th Congress will forget his brilliant fight to achieve this victory.

HARRY MCGREGOR will be remembered, too, as an outspoken opponent of sprawling bureaucracy, particularly in those areas where public power threatened the just and legitimate rights of private enterprise. His philosophy of Federal assistance was Lincolnian.

Long before it became popular and expedient, HARRY MCGREGOR fought communism. He waged a vigorous battle against senseless giveaways to the Soviet Union and its satellites. He was one of four Republican Members flown to China in 1952 for conferences with Chinese Nationalist officers and U.S. administrators of aid in Formosa.

HARRY MCGREGOR was Republican floor leader in the Ohio State Legislature when I served there nearly 20 years ago. When I came to Washington in 1955, his counsel was wise and generous and sparkling with the infectious good humor which made him liked by all—even those who disagreed with his public views. He was a warm and loyal friend, a valued adviser, and a tireless servant of the 17th District of Ohio.

Last fall, at the very height of a campaign for reelection, death overtook HARRY MCGREGOR unexpectedly at his home in

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Coshocton, Ohio. Just as he had lived all his life, HARRY MCGREGOR died a fighter.

Less than 2 years before, on Christmas Day 1956, he lost his beloved wife, Twila. To their three surviving children I extend my heartfelt sympathy.

I know they will remember the farewell of Mr. Valient-for-truth in Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress." The words are particularly appropriate for HARRY MCGREGOR.

My sword I give to him that shall succeed me in my pilgrimage, and my courage and skill to him that can get it.

My marks and scars I carry with me, to be a witness for me, that I have fought His battle that now shall be my rewarder.

Remarks by Representative Hiestand
Of California

Mr. HIESTAND. Mr. Speaker, in losing our beloved colleague, Congressman HARRY MCGREGOR, of Ohio, we here in Congress and the people of this Nation have lost a real statesman.

Ever attacking every problem from the viewpoint of "What's best for the people of America," HARRY MCGREGOR was one of the most conscientious and thorough Congressmen it has been my pleasure to know.

Ever maintaining an objective viewpoint, his was a truly selfless service.

Ever mindful of the varied viewpoints of many Members from both sides of the aisle, he won much support for measures he espoused.

HARRY MCGREGOR, to my knowledge, had no enemies. His colleagues mourned with him the loss a year before of his beloved wife and partner for many years. We really shared his grief.

Ever mindful, however, of his duty to his district and his country, he bore up bravely and worked hard and effectively despite his great loss.

We of California and I in particular who knew him well join his Ohio colleagues in paying the highest tribute to J. HARRY MCGREGOR, gentleman, scholar, indefatigable worker, delightful character, but above all, statesman.

Remarks by Representative Ayres
Of Ohio

Mr. AYRES. Mr. Speaker, when I first met Mr. and Mrs. McGregor, HARRY and Twila, I had the feeling that I was in the company of a wonderful couple. There was a team spirit that existed between them that was difficult to explain. When they were separated HARRY's loss was great. He carried on but there was not the same will to win.

J. HARRY MCGREGOR's thoughtfulness, understanding, and dedication will never be forgotten by those who were fortunate enough to know him. I miss him.

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Remarks by Representative Bolton

Of Ohio

Mrs. BOLTON. Mr. Speaker, when one has served 18 years here in this great legislative body, the bonds welded are strong and they go deep. Between HARRY MCGREGOR and myself there was an even closer tie than most because we shared a special election on February 27, 1940.

A pleasant companion and a good friend—a hard-working Congressman and a loyal citizen—such was HARRY MCGREGOR. One could disagree with him as, I confess, I often did, but disagreement interfered not at all with our friendship. As Ohio whip he served the Republican Party and the Ohio Republican delegation well.

Tireless in his efforts to serve his constituents he gave himself with enthusiasm to work in their behalf, keeping in close touch with their hopes, their fears, their concrete desires, and their needs. The 17th District will miss his heartfelt service, Ohio will miss his constant watchful work in her interests and the United States a faithful worker in these Halls.

To his fine children and grandchildren I do extend my warmest sympathy and the hope that they know with deep certainty that—

They have not died
They live and breathe with you
They walk now, here at your side
They tell you things are true.
They live, they know, they see
They shout with every breath
All is Eternal Life.
There is no death.

Remarks by Representative Mack
Of Washington

Mr. MACK of Washington. Mr. Speaker, it is most fitting that we who knew him best should gather here today to pay tribute to the worth and works of our friend and colleague, the Honorable HARRY MCGREGOR, of Ohio, who died during last year's fall recess of Congress.

I often think that the roadbuilder is among the greatest benefactors of mankind. The roads they build make it possible for people to get together easier and more frequently to exchange ideas and obtain inspiration from one another. Roads also facilitate the flow of commerce and the exchange of goods, thus promote prosperity and improve living standards.

Our friend HARRY MCGREGOR was a roadbuilder, one of the best and most effective of them, and therefore by his life and works one of the great benefactors of mankind. In private life he was a road contractor and during his 20 years in Congress he was a member of the Public Works Committee and its Subcommittee on Roads.

In the 83d Congress Mr. MCGREGOR was chairman of the Roads Committee and was the author of the Highway Act of that year which paved the way for the greatest advance in roadbuilding this Nation had ever made to that time.

In the 84th and 85th Congresses HARRY MCGREGOR was ranking minority member of the Public Works Committee and along with the Honorable George Fallon of Maryland, they did more than anyone else to write the present expanded highway program into law. This law in my opinion, is one of the greatest achievements of Congress in the past 25 years.

HARRY MCGREGOR by his tireless work in Congress for better roads has paved the way for a stronger, more prosperous and

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happier Nation for generations to come. His work has made all the tomorrows of our Nation better than its yesterdays. Such a life is most worthwhile.

HARRY MCGREGOR departed life carrying with him the affection of all of us who knew him for he had brought joy into our lives with his friendly and sunny disposition. He left us possessed of our admiration and gratitude because of his large contributions as a legislator to the strength and betterment of our Nation and its citizenry.



Mr. MACK of Washington. Mr. Speaker, the Honorable Hubert Scudder, of California, voluntarily retired from Congress last year after 10 years of service in the House of Representatives. Throughout those 10 years he was a member of the House Public Works Committee and a close friend and associate of the late Hon. HARRY MCGREGOR, of Ohio.

Mr. Scudder has written a short tribute to the worth and work of his friend, the Honorable HARRY MCGREGOR and asked me to have it inserted for him. I do so for him. Mr. Scudder's comments on Mr. MCGREGOR follow:

Today, we pay homage to a man who long served his Government in both State and National affairs. HARRY MCGREGOR was not only a friend and a good companion, but a man who took a vital interest in the welfare of his country. He was a man of strong convictions and was not afraid to express himself for those things which he felt were right and for the continuation of our American way of life.

Too often we think of today, but HARRY MCGREGOR thought of those who followed tomorrow and whether or not they would have a country such as we of this generation have been privileged to enjoy. His contribution to the highway program of this country will be a standing monument to his memory.

His sudden passing was a great shock and I desire to extend to his family my sympathy at their loss.

Remarks by Representative Evins
Of Tennessee

Mr. EVINS. Mr. Speaker, I should like to join my colleagues from Ohio, and others, in paying a brief tribute to the memory of our late friend, Representative J. HARRY MCGREGOR, of Ohio, whose sudden and untimely passing during the recess of the Congress came as a great shock to his many friends in this Chamber and throughout the country. He was a friendly and most personable Member who represented the people of his district and State most ably.

May I extend my sincere sympathy to the members of his family.

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The Chaplain, Rev. Frederick Brown Harris, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Eternal God, before whose eyes the ages pass, apart from Thee all the schemes of our devising are as futile as a painted ship upon a painted ocean.

In the midst of things as they are, so tangled and tragic, we thank Thee for stirrings of discontent within us, for visions of a glory yet to transfigure the earth, for the rainbow arch across the stormy sky, with its hope of brotherhood and justice and abiding peace.

For our Nation we pray. Upon our President and all who counsel with him, upon the Congress, and upon all who represent our strength, administer our responsibilities, and are entrusted with power to work weal or woe on the earth, we ask Thy sustaining grace. Above all other acclaim or reward, we crave the assurance of Thy approving "well done." "Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God."

We ask it in the name of the Prince of Peace. Amen.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair lays before the Senate a resolution coming from the House of Representatives which will be read.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Honorable J. HARRY MCGREGOR, a Representative from the State of Ohio.

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Resolved, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That as a further mark of respect the House do now adjourn.

Mr. LAUSCHE. Mr. President, I send to the desk a resolution, and ask that it be read and immediately considered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The resolution will be read for the information of the Senate.

The legislative clerk read the resolution (S. Res. 15) as follows:

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow the announcement of the death of Hon. J. HARRY MCGREGOR, late a Representative from the State of Ohio.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, the Senate, at the conclusion of its business today, adjourn until 10 a.m. on Monday next.

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. LAUSCHE. Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join in adopting the resolution which will express condolences to the family and friends of J. HARRY MCGREGOR, who recently passed away.

Mr. MCGREGOR was not of my political party, but I knew him intimately. He lived in an area where he was highly respected, especially by those who knew him. No finer tribute can be paid to him than to say that in biennium after biennium the people of the area in which he lived and served expressed unlimited confidence in him as a person and as a public official. Those who knew him best loved him most. He passed away at a comparatively early age after serving in the U.S. Congress for many years. His passing has been a loss not only to his family and to his friends but to the State of Ohio and to the Nation.

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I ask my colleagues to agree to the resolution paying condolences to the family and friends at his passing.

Mr. CASE of New Jersey. Mr. President, on behalf of my colleagues on this side of the aisle I want to join in the statement and the expression of sympathy, respect, and admiration which the Senator from Ohio [Mr. Lausche] has made in regard to our late colleague, HARRY MCGREGOR of Ohio.

I served in the House for many years with HARRY MCGREGOR. For him I had, as did all his colleagues, affection, respect, and admiration. He was a good Member of Congress and a good citizen. He was a fine person, a happy and cheerful person, whose influence and whose touch on others' lives always brightened theirs. We shall miss him deeply.

On behalf of all my colleagues on this side of the aisle I join in the expression of the deepest grief, regret, and sympathy to the members of his family and his colleagues at his passing.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the resolution.

The resolution was unanimously agreed to.

Mr. STENNIS. Mr. President, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late distinguished Representative from Ohio, J. HARRY MCGREGOR; I move that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock on Monday next.

The motion was unanimously agreed to; and (at 8 o'clock and 43 minutes p.m.) the Senate, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Representative J. HARRY MCGREGOR, adjourned until Monday, January 12, 1959, at 10 o'clock a.m.



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